

**7.09 FOURTH AMENDMENT/FOURTEENTH AMENDMENT:
EXCESSIVE FORCE - DEFINITION OF "UNREASONABLE"**

You must decide whether Defendant's use of force was unreasonable from the perspective of a reasonable officer facing the same circumstances that Defendant faced. You must make this decision based on what the officer knew at the time he used force, if any, not based on what you know now.

In performing his job, an officer can use force that is reasonably necessary under the circumstances.